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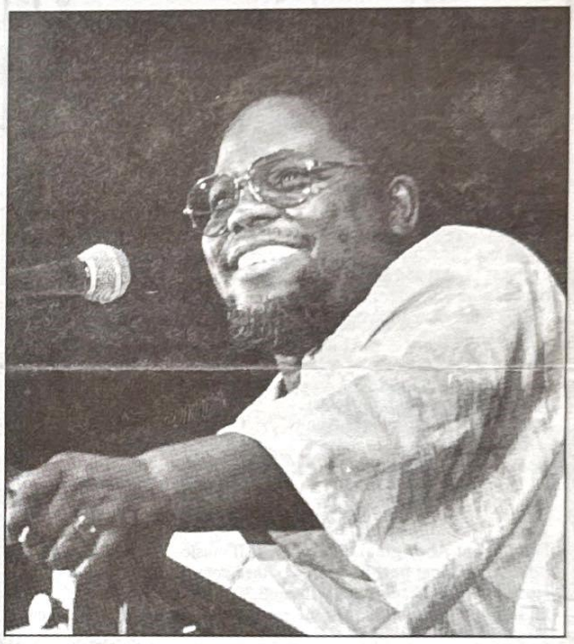

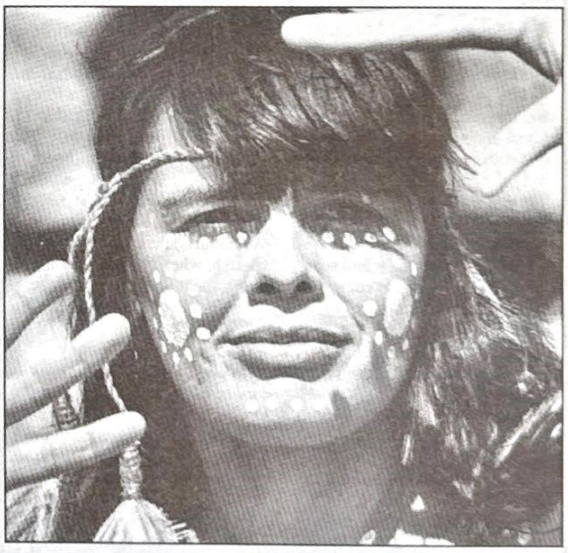

NCYC'95
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NCYC '95 MISSION STATEMENT

"To construct a community which so reflects the Kingdom of God that people will be changed."

Weather.... today max 36, min 19
Daves prediction: Perth - the doctor is IN
Uluru - (Ayers Rock) - 60 cm snow, all lifts are operating

Letters to The Editor

*Letters can be submitted at the Convention Centre (Near Edgehog Shop) or Scotch College (L'Edgends Information Stand). Please keep them to around **200 words** and supply us with your **name and community**.*

Dear L'Eds

I WOULD like to express my deep concern for the way in which Hot House was conducted today.

The sensitive and serious nature of the topic I believe was turned into a mockery by *some* members of the audience and by the commentator.

What has happened to the love of Christ that is supposed to shine through our lives?

Chris Haskard
(Chaplain) SA

Dear L'Eds

AFTER experiencing the opening night of NCYC — what can I say? The night was a brilliant start to the week ahead focussing our minds and urging us to confront the edge.

The night showed us the evidence of the time and commitment devoted in organisation and preparation. As well as the amazing message from Duffy.

Another highlight was the video presentation combining

the desensitising images of TV to the haunting song *In The Name of the Father*. This video provided a firm focus to question what we see on TV — not to go with images and the "in" thing, but to be an individual. Such a presentation was also an idea of many hours involved in complex video editing.

NCYC — the greatest show on earth.

Stuart
Adelaide

Dear Ed

WE, AS a caring Christian community, are concerned for the blatant abuse of our environment. We have a duty to our earth and future creations to sustain our environment.

Although we recognise there are basic facilities for recycling provided at NCYC, we strongly believe that there is an urgent requirement for further commitment.

This should be established with compost bins, facilities for recycling the lunch boxes and publicity for these extensive strategies. We look forward to seeing your cooperation in action.

Representatives of West Beach communities

Dear Eds

MEETING overseas and Aboriginal delegates has been The Edge for me. It's not often you meet such a diversity of culture, risking being misunderstood in the meeting. I hope many other delegates will go to The Edge of meeting new people.

Leigh Johnson
South Australia

Dear L'Eds

WOULD you please ask the stage hands to stop smoking under the platform as it sends up clouds of smoke which threaten to envelop the whole centre!

We all know the people of Israel followed a pillar of cloud in the day, but it makes it all a bit hazy in the night ... someone might fall off the Edge, which could be very dangerous , or even challenging to their health..

Concerned, Quit now

Dear L'Eds

COME on Duffy! It's not good enough in these enlightened times to try to put over us that it's OK to use "man" and "mankind" to include all people.

If you mean to include everyone then use the terms "people", "the world" or "we". They won't require a five- minute spiel to justify their use.

Please don't make this generation of women grow up having to translate that "man", "mankind— and —sons— includes them too.

Use words that include them from the start.

Beth Hancock
South Australia

Dear L'Eds

"GOD has a plan, *Man* has a problem.— How about "We", "humanity", "people"? We are *women* and no amount of explanation will make us feel included by "Man". And all for the sake of a rap!

Names given

(This letter was signed by 26 women and supported by 26 men from different states and many different communities — L'Eds)

More letters tomorrow.

What's on?

Overseas Delegate Space

Wanting to meet new friends and learn about different cultures? Then visit the Overseas Delegates Space.

The Overseas Delegates Space is a place for people from overseas to chat and share experiences with others.

It is open each afternoon at Scotch College.

Aboriginal Space

If learning about Indigenous Australian culture then the Aboriginal Space may be exactly what you are looking for.

The Aboriginal Space is an unstructured meeting place where all cultures can meet to learn about Aboriginal culture. Aboriginal performers, story tellers and speakers will make appearances at different times.

It is open lunch times and late afternoons at Scotch College.

Hanging by a Thread

Feeling creative? Then come and let your creative juices flow. Come and try paper making, painting, collage, an much more. Open daily at Scotch College.

Mission Mart

Mission Mart is a expo of opportunities for mission and service. It provides a great chance for you to explore some of the ways you can serve God.

If you want to be challenged and taken to the edge, then visit the Mission Mart. Open daily at Scotch.

The Prayer Place

Wanting to take time out and listen to God or simply want to pray for your friends, world peace and justice? Then why not visit the Prayer Place?

The Prayer Place is located at Scotch College. It is open lunchtime and from 3.30 to 5 pm each day.

The Edge Hog Shop

Do you want to look cool at NCYC? Then visit The Edge Hog Shop. They will be able to supply you with everything you need to look the part at NCYC.

Or if you want to write home or to the *L'Edge* team, but have run out of stationery, then don't fear. The Edge Hog Shop will also be able to help you.

It is open daily at Scotch College and at the Convention Centre.

Crossbow Books

Looking for something interesting to read? Then visit Crossbow Books. They have a large range of books to satisfy everyone's tastes.

If music is more your style, then come to Crossbow Books at 3.30 to meet Steve Apirana.

Steve will also sign his albums.

ICYC Reunion

If you went to ICYC in 1994 and want to catch up with your inter-state and overseas friends then come to the ICYC Reunion today.

The reunion will be held at Westbourne Park Uniting Church. All people wanting to go are asked to meet in the Scotch College Chapel at 3.30 pm. Buses will then take you to Westbourne Park Uniting Church, where you can catch up over a meal before going to the evening rally.

Money Money Money

We're running a special bus service if you need to go to the bank. Places are limited. To reserve a seat on the bus go to the L'Edgends Information Office at lunchtime on Thursday.

The buses leave at 3.30 from the front gate. (You may need to leave your elective early.) and drop you at the Convention Centre.

Overseas delegates wishing to cash travellers cheques must bring their passport as identification.

NOTICES

Wanted

The Sacred Heart Community would like the assistance of the collective South Australian memory to recall in full the lyrics and melody of the "Arnotts Yoyo Biscuit advertisement— for the purpose of community building and the promotion of cultural exchange between states and countries represented here at NCYC '95.

Please forward submission to *L'Edge* for publication.

Thank you.

MV Aroona

Come aboard the MV Aroona hosted by the Goolwa Uniting Church, Monday January 16. Cost $15 each which includes two and a half hour trip up the Coorong, chicken pack lunch, roll and drink.

Leaving Goolwa Wharf 11:30 am. Only 70 places left, so hurry.

Telephone Murdy Inglis on (08) 212 4066 to book before 3 pm Thursday, January 12.

Lost property

There is a lot of Lost Property in the Information Centre. Can people check for missing items and come in to claim them?

Intensive baptism by sprinkling

A service of Intensive Baptism by sprinkling was held at 3 am on Wednesday morning at Sacred Heart College.

Congratulations to all who were sprinkled, and thank you to the groundsmen who reset the sprinklers.

Welcome

Welcome to the Catholic day delegation who are with us for the day. Did you bring Mary MacKillop with you?

FROM THE MANAGEMENT

We apologise for the long delay in receiving hot potato lunches yesterday. Every effort is being made to ensure the problem is rectified.

MUSIC SALE

You think the music at NCYC is really good? Wondering how to teach it to your church?

Worry no longer. The NCYC Music team have produced a songbook which includes 21 songs, full piano scores, leadsheets and overhead masters at the low cost of $20.00

Not musically minded, but want to listen to the NCYC music after NCYC? Then the NCYC tape and CD, *Truth, Life and Freedom* may be for you. It only costs $14 for the tape and $ 20 for the CD.

All these items are available at the Edge Hog Shop, which is open daily at Scotch College and the Convention Centre.

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T R U T H
& FREEDOM

TRANSPORT TIMETABLE

Thursday January 12

Scotch College to Convention Centre

Allow 20 minutes to walk down Blythewood Road to Torrens Park Railway station. If you want to be served first for dinner, catch an early train

Departure times:
4.42pm,
5.05pm,
5.23pm.

TransAdelaide

Tasmania's first ever NCYC

by MEGAN KIRK

IF YOU are enjoying NCYC'95 ... then you will love NCYC 1997.

Tasmania will be holding its first ever NCYC, from Wednesday January 1 to Tuesday 7 1997.

"NCYC 1997 will be held during the best time of the year", says Bruce Mullan, Youth Ministry Consultant.

"Tasmania is a great venue and January is the best time to visit. During this month the temperature is between 11 and 24 degrees — cool nights and mild days, usually with no rain."

NCYC 1997 will offer a week of exciting teaching, worship and community, which will be shared with people from other places, cultures and generations. Delegates will have the opportunity to hear an amazing array of speakers such as:

- **Wali Fejo**, an Aboriginal leader and dynamic evangelist from the Northern Territory.
- **Merilyn Correy**, who sees the church through the eyes of a younger woman and as a researcher.
- **Dorothy McRae-McMahon**, the national Director for Mission for the Uniting Church, who will teach delegates ways to be God's people.
- **Subramaniam Manopavan**, Uniting Church minister from Queensland, originally from Sri Lanka, who brings fresh images to the church through a different culture.

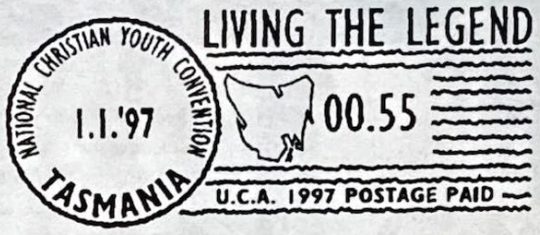
These speakers will emphasise the convention's theme of *Living the Legend.*

The theme encompasses three main areas, all based on being "an ongoing legend in the Christian church". They are:

- Travelling into the future in the company of Christian heroes of the past.
- Walking with ordinary Christian heroes of the present.
- Becoming together the continuing story of Jesus.

Delegates will not only be challenged by the message that the speakers bring. They will also be challenged by the new and exciting experiences that Tasmania has to offer.

Delegates will be given the opportunity to travel to different parts of Tasmania during the convention. This will give them the chance to visit picturesque cities and country villages, where they can speak to local people and share stories of their legendary faith in Jesus Christ.



Why come to Tasmania you may ask? Well Bruce gives several reasons:

"First, it will be a great convention that will really help people grow in their faith in Christ," says Bruce. "Second, because Tasmania is a great place to come and visit and finally because we have everyone's favourite convention coordinator, Stuart Cameron, organising our NCYC 1997."

If you think you will fit the legend or if you are interested in visiting beautiful Tasmania, then why not register for NCYC 1997?

For further information visit the Tasmanian stand in the Mission Mart, or contact the Youth Ministry Office in your state.

NCYC productions are proud to present a Nightlife program that is guaranteed to entertain you.

The Nightlife program beings at 9 pm after the evening rallies,unless otherwise indicated.

Bus Tours

If you are not sick of buses by now, then why not consider one of the 90 minute nightlife bus tours with at twist? But remember, places are limited.

You need to be at the Nightlife Tours bus stop early after the evening rally on Thursday night. All tours cost $5, which includes a drink and chocolates.

There are two tours to choose from.

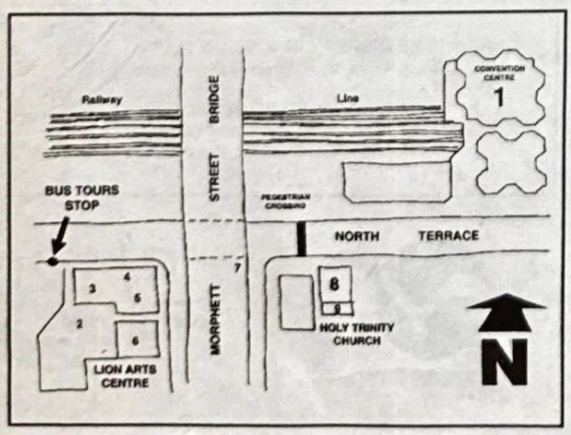
1. *Cruising the Night*

If you like an element of surprise then this mystery tour is for you. This bus tour will show you around Adelaide and give you an opportunity to meet the locals and see the sights.

2. *Storming the Night*

If you want to see Adelaide from the bottom up and you are not claustrophobic, then the *Storming the Night* bus tour may be for you. This tour will involve a little suburban caving under the streets of Adelaide.

To make bookings for this tour leave your name at the table in the entrance to the meals area in the Exhibition Hall. Be quick as places are limited.



Other Events

1. Dance Party

Feeling a little funky? Then why not head over to the Convention Centre for an enormous Dance Party? Be quick. The fun starts at 9.30 pm.

2. Lion Court Yard

Wanting to hear some funk and groove? Then head to the Lion Court Yard, North Terrace, funk and groove band the Happy Chaps.

3. Exposing the Night

Exposing the Night is an assortment of performing artists. Artists include Trish Watts on piano, Rahat Khan and Jonathon Raffe providing poetry with a difference, Mark Pearse making clay masterpieces whilst telling amazing stories and blues singer Steve Apirana. They will be performing in the Lion Bar, North Terrace.

4. WortsanAll!

Why not sit down and be entertained by Adelaide's premiere drama company, The Company of Sinners. They will perform a 40 minute drama called *WortsanAll.* The performance begins at 9.25 in the Lion Theatre.

5. Daniel at the Lion

Daniel at the Lion is a up tempo, loud rock and jazz of allsorts. It will be held in the rehearsal room in the Lion Centre.

Bruce Mullan All Stars will be performing. This is a group of youth workers. Come and see your state youth workers do what they normally do — make fools of themselves. The group is made of Craig Mitchell, Fuzz Kitto, Jan Dempster, Wendy Sargent, Paul Yarra and Bruce Mullan.

Some of the NCYC band and other artists will also be performing as the *Spatular Boys.*

6. Eddie's Late Show

This is a Cabaret, which will be held at the Nexis Theatre. Performing artists include Denis Clare, Tony Williams, one of Adelaide's funniest drama group, Subtle Bricks and a yet to be named multicultural element.

The Cabaret will take a Steve Vizard, David Letterman and Late Show approach.

7. Under the Bridge

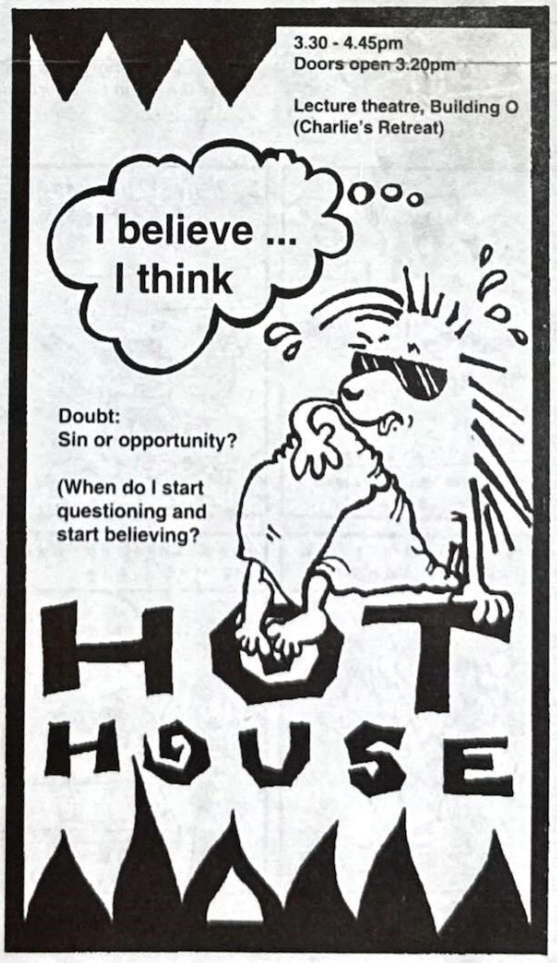
This event will be literally held under the bridge on North Terrace. You can view a range of street entertainment and busking.

8. Theatre Caf

Wanting to be thoroughly entertained? Why not come Holy Trinity to hear bizarre and over the top music group Side Walk Creatures and see hilarious clowns Rivet and Tuft?

9. Chuckies the Mr Bean

Do you enjoy *Mr Bean*? Then come to Holy Trinity to view the best episodes of the TV comedy.



PASSION

In times alone with you
You cleanse me
with birdsongs, sunlight,
streams of water and rich colours
of the earth.

You reveal yourself
I long for you and hold out
my arms to receive
You give me what I need.
I will get to know you
each day and find you in new things.

We are your servants
and we all stand
on your rock now
with our arms open.

Together we have visions
To take us all beyond our depths
We will jump and find our wings.

By Jodi Bekker

Please put any poems you want published in L'Edge in the box in the information room in Scotch College.

top 10

TOP 10 WAYS TO GET INTO THE HOT HOUSE

By Lisa Chapman

1. Pretend you are Security and direct everyone away.
2. Dress as a LEdgend and tell everyone its at another venue.
3. Offer to do a live demonstration of sex before marriage.
4. Wear a big piece of green cardboard with your name on it and pretend to be one of the main speakers.
5. Get four friends to lower you through the roof. See Luke 5:17-26.
6. Grab a notepad and tell everone you write for LEdge and you are covering the Hot House for the paper.
7. Get a group of friends together and launch a terrorist attack.
8. Steal a vital piece of technical equipment and not give it back until they give you a seat.
9. Bring your sleeping bag and queue up overnight.
10. Rob a chaplain of his or her chaplaincy t-shirt and badge and go undercover.

Prayer Points

- PRAISE for the growth of community spirit.
- PRAY for energy and strength for all people involved in the organisation of NCYC.
- PRAY for delegates who have responded to the evening celebrations.
- PRAY for reconciliation to continue after NCYC, and for the ongoing dialogue between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people.

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DRAWN BY BURT
GUEST APPEARANCE:
THE INVISABLE MAN
(CAN YOU SEE HIM?)
ZZZ what? Oh Gday! I've just finished night life.
It was hard but I actually got to see every event!
TIME TABLE
after the tours I took in some bands
then checked out the cabarets
MIME
well kids have we got a show for you!
LATE SHOW WITH ED LETTERMAN
hey Eddie are you doing it again tonight?
OH NO!
LENO

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